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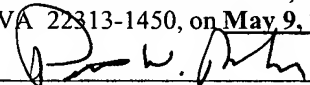
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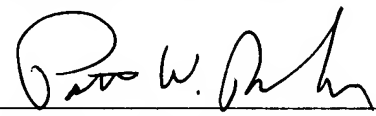
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SIR:

The above-identified patent application was filed on **November 19, 2003**. We respectfully request a status inquiry on the above-identified patent application. A copy of this request is enclosed for the purpose of reporting the results of the status inquiries.

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